



AZ HIPAA Medicaid Consortium

June 4, 2003

2:00 PM to 4:00 PM

AHCCCS 701 E. Jefferson St. – 3rd Floor - Gold Room

Meeting Hosted By: Lori Petre, AHCCCS

Attendees:

ADHS

Thomas Browning

Brian Heise

Sharon Simpson

AHCCCS

Patti Goodwin

Deborah Burrell

Lydia Ruiz

David Shelburg

Phyllis Tracy

Nancy Mischung

Bruce Jameson

Kyra Westlake

Frank Straka

Sandy Biggs

Dennis Koch

MaryKay McDaniel

Diane Sanders

Michelle Dillon

Esther Hunt

Tom Forbes

John Peters

Pat Spencer

Kathy Taylor-Laws

Jim Wang

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David Wormell

Lucy Markov

Chuck Revenu

BHS

Janice Hippe

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Isabel Robinson

David Rogers

CRS

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CIGNA

Jack Corcoran

DES

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Nicole Yarborough

Major Williams

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Carol Smallwood

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Mark Hart

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Eric Nichols

Kathleen Oestreich

Verizon

Marsha Solomon

Yavapai County

David Soderberg

1. Project Schedule Update (Gary Heller)

Milestones reviewed:

Group 1:

We are in our trading partner testing for the 820/834 as of 05/27. There are multiple files available on the FTP server for business partner testing.

Remaining Companion Documents:

- 270/271 targeted for 06/06/03.
- 276/277 targeted for 06/13/03
- 837 Enc (P/I/D) targeted for 06/06/03
- NCPDP Enc targeted for 06/13/03

Group 2:

Completing System Development.
Starting System/Integration testing.

2. Encounters Implementation Discussion (Gary Heller/Lori Petre)

A document regarding a potential delay of the Encounter Implementation was emailed on 05/30/03.

History: AHCCCS had received feedback from the trading partners that there is too much on the plates at this time.

CY04 has a large volume in transition with two plans going out and one new being added. Affecting approximately 120,000 members.

We had discussions internally. Followed by Jim Wang, AHCCCS CIO presenting the concerns and posing the consideration of a delayed implementation to the CEO's. If delayed, we need to determine the period of delay, what issues, implications, etc. that could exist.

Thus far, we've received input from 10 business partners, with their concerns, issues, and preferences.

There are the following key questions:
Should we defer the implementation of encounters?
If so, what are the impacts to your organization?
If not, what are the impacts to your organization?

MCO Comments/feedback:
Refer to matrix that will be distributed at the next meeting.

Q: Why was the bullet point taken out of the email regarding the 837 for encounters being in flux?

A: Per Brent, the referenced 837E does not support our business.

Q: Will all of the 837 be deferred?

A: Yes

Q: Do we still have the issue/ concern noted regarding NCPDP?

A: It is in the issues Database.

Action Item: Once we have heard from everyone, we will work on our decision regarding encounters and notify you by the middle of next week. We would like to get this out as soon as possible, so you can start thinking about further implications.

Q: If we continue with the proprietary format, will we be billing local codes in the same format?

A: Local codes are not a transaction issue but an overall issue.

4. Implementation Planning Update (Gary Heller)

The Implementation Plan is still being worked on; therefore, we will not share a draft today.

3. Contingency Planning Update (Jim McManus)

We covered the 820, 834, 270/271 last meeting, no comments received.

Q: There are other states compiling contingency plans and filing with CMS, will AHCCCS file?

A: Yes, the tentative timeline is the end of June. We have also shared with other states the outline that we shared with you.

Group 2 Contingency:

We have been working with the claims transactions, the 837, 835, and 276/277. Depending on the outcomes of today's decision encounter transactions will also be included.

The Group 2 contingency plan will be distributed via email to Consortium members. Comments will be expected for the next meeting.

5. Local Codes Update (Lori Petre for Brent Ratteree)

Brent emailed some updates. There are 30 additional waiver codes that have been approved by the National panel, they are being finalized. The descriptions were received.

This will allow the team to finalize the local code mapping and will hopefully have them approved by our next meeting for publication.

BHS has some concerns about their mapping and will have a separate meeting to follow up with the local codes work team.

Q: Do you know when the agency will start pricing for those codes?

A: They have been updating as they go through the process.

Q: Do you have a timeframe when that will be available?

Action Item: We will follow up with Brent.

6. Electronic Signature/Certification Update (Lori Petre/ Nancy Mischung)

Resources have been assigned to identify options and they have posed questions to other states that have been doing this.

Our intent will not be to meet the 08/01 date, but to implement with HIPAA.

Action Item: We will have a more detail regarding the electronic signature/certification update by next meeting.

7. Assignment of Control #'s (Lori Petre)

This came as a question to the Web site, but since it was a global item we have included the response sent to that plan in your packet so everyone has the same information.
Let us know if you have questions.

8. Follow-up Items (Acknowledgements, Communication of blank file, etc) (Lori Petre/ Nancy Mischung):

Acknowledgements:

What was to be included in the package was the final decision that was made; however it is an out of date version.

Action Item: Outbound Acknowledgment document needs to be replaced in directory and emailed.

If anyone has concerns, comments, this is the last opportunity to make them?

Email sent on Zero record blank file:

We proposed a suggestion in our last meeting that was rejected. The issue is: for a file with no records today what you receive today is a trailer record with a zero record count, what happens under HIPAA?

We heard "Can we just not receive what we receive today?" A trailer record with a zero record count. We explored this option and we can do it.
We need feedback for this as an alternate solution.

Q: We can handle this either way, but will you expect an acknowledgement back.

A: No

Verizon:

We prefer nothing; we will have coding to work on but can accept it either way.

No one stated they could not do this.

We have a solution!

Action item: Confirmation on the agreed upon solution will be sent early next week.

Testing Update:

Handouts provided.

Web site will be used to provide more testing info.

Problem Report:

We will not be able to support the form to be used as input of data via the website.

Action Item: Melanie is putting together instructions on downloading, emailing, faxing form and will send out later this week.

We can also accept problems as an email to the test web address and we will put it into a form.

Summary of Problem Reports received on 820/834:

We have identified a challenge to keep you informed of what problems were received, fixed and what was done.

Action Item: The Primary and Secondary testing contacts will receive information with what was identified, fixed and dates.

Action Item: Because there were corrections made during pilot testing, we suggest if possible that you use the monthly file you just received as a starting point for testing.

As we identify updates needed to specification and companion docs; you will receive emails of the updated documents in an attempt to keep you updated with information we are using.

Status email such as the one sent yesterday regarding the delay of the files, will be another way to keep you informed.

834 Example packet related to a reported problem (MaryKay):

Suggestion: Please list the dates of the file you are looking at on your problem ticket.

- With mapping on the 834, we were using the INS03 to tell you what was going on, i.e., Add, Termination, etc. We found that you cannot do a termination at the top and include termination date and the 2300 loop.

1. We can eliminate the 2300 loop, leaving the disenroll notification at the 2000 level in INS03. We found a uniqueness in disenroll, there were occasions when you received a disenroll that also had changes on them. We have taken care of that issue. The change record will be sent before the disenroll. You will receive multiple INS records.

We are updating the specs with this change.

2. Please let us know if you have other ideas.

- The other issue we have, a question was sent to the DMSO and 834 group. We were using the disability loop to inform you of a pregnancy, we will not be able to list the PG condition here.
We are taking out the disability loop and need to put a flag somewhere.

Q: Have we submitted any files for certification?

A: No, we have issues with the responsible party not having the same name as the member.

Action Item Result: The follow up on custodial parent... that info is nowhere. There is no agency that can pass the information on who a custodial parent is for a child, but cannot tell you where the child lives.

Other Items:

On Mondays you will receive weekend files.

Action Item: Survey was sent out regarding translators used and Claredi Workgroup, and we are now compiling information that will be sent out shortly.

Q: Is there an updates on the discussions of the 835?

A: We are not going to do the 835 for reinsurance. Reinsurance case information will stay in current format.

June 25th is the next meeting.

Let us know if you would like to meet or discuss anything with us individually prior to or after our next meeting.

Meeting adjourned.